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QUALIFICATIONS

PHD DISSERTATION: *Morphosyntax of Puma, a Tibeto-Burman language of Nepal*

PRINCIPLE ADVISOR: Prof. Peter K. Austin

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DATE	DEGREE	SUBJECT	INSTITUTION
2014	PhD	Linguistics	SOAS, University of London, UK
2001	MA	Linguistics	Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal
1999	MA	English	Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal
1996	BED	English & Maths	Prithvi Narayan Campus, Pokhara, Nepal
1990	ISC	Physics	Prithvi Narayan Campus, Pokhara, Nepal
1986	SLC	Science	Pashupati Higher Secondary School, Ramja Thanti, Parbat, Nepal

PERSONAL WEBSITES

HOME PAGE <http://www.hrelp.org/aboutus/students/stories/ninthelap PhD.html>

ACADEMIA <https://soas.academia.edu/NarayanSharma>

PROJECT http://www.cdpd.uzh.ch/frameset_peop.html

THE FIELDWORK I HAVE DONE FOR THE LANGUAGES

2018- Mewahang (Postdoc; Monograph)
2010-2011 Puma (PhD dissertation; Grammar; Dictionary; Peer-reviewed articles)
2009 Newar (Linguistic Survey)
2004-2006 Puma (Grammar; Dictionary; Peer-reviewed articles)
2003 Gurung (Dictionary)
2001 Thakali (MA theses; Peer-reviewed articles)
2000 Hayu, Jirel, Surel, Majhi, Sherpa, Tomyang, Dolkha Newari, Thami (MA Fieldwork)

(A) ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

DATE	POSITION	EMPLOYER
2018-	Postdoctoral Research Scholar	University of Oregon, Oregon, USA
2016-2017	Lecturer	Morgan International College, Basundhara, Kathmandu
2015-2016	Researcher	University of Vienna, Austria
2012	Exam Invigilator	SOAS, University of London, UK
2009	Research Assistant	University of Vienna, Austria
2009	Research Assistant	LinSuN, Central Department of Linguistics, Tribhuvan University
2004-2008	Researcher	German Project, Tribhuvan University & Leipzig University, Germany
2003-2008	Lecturer	Central Department of Linguistics, Tribhuvan University, Nepal
2003-2004	Research Assistant	Central Department of Linguistics, Tribhuvan University, Nepal
2001-2003	Lecturer	Advanced International Model School (AIMS), Lalitpur
1990-1994	Teacher	Pancha Koshi Higher Secondary School, Arthar, Parbat

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

- (in pre) A Grammar of Mewahang. University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, USA.
- (in pre) Clause types in Puma. *Journal of South Asian Languages and Linguistics*. De Gruyter Mouton.
- 2018 A Grammar of Thakali. Thakali Research Center. Kathmandu.
- 2017 Nominalisation strategy in Puma. In Narayan P. Sharma and Bhim Lal Gautam (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol. 32, 120-129. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2017 Understanding ethnic and cultural diversity: evidence from Puma. In Dan R. Regmi, Balam Prasain, Karnakhar Khatiwada and Tara M. Rai (eds.), *Gipan* 3:2, 175-199. Kathmandu: Central Department of Linguistics, Tribhuvan University.
- 2016 Verbal agreement system in Thakali. In Tej P. Gauchan, Krishna P. Sherchan, Naresh K. Tulachan, Mankanti Sharchan and Bhumikarna Bhattachan (eds.), *Thasang* (2073 BS) 12:3. 66–70. Kathmandu: Thakali Research Centre.
- 2013 Argument structure of Puma. *SOAS Working Papers*, Vol. 16, 235-255. Department of Linguistics, London: SOAS.
- 2013 Puma phonology: a descriptive analysis. In Dan R. Regmi and Balam Prasain (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol. 28, 211-217. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2012 Linguistic fieldwork revisited on Puma. In Dan R. Regmi, Balam Prasain and Ramesh Khatri (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol. 27, 199-205. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2011 Tense, aspect and modality in Thakali. In Govinda R. Bhattarai, Krishna P. Chalise and Balam Prasain (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol. 26, 250-260. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2010 Puma case markers. In Shree K. Rai (ed.), *Bungwaphop*, Year 3, Half-yearly, 15-19.
- 2008 Thakali language: A phonemic overview. In Jai R. Awasthi, Ganga R. Gautam, and Bhim N. Regmi (eds.) *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol 23, 355-370. Kathmandu: LSN.
- 2006 Outline of Thakali language and clause combining. In Novel K. Rai, Yogendra P. Yadava, and Balam Prasain (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol. 22, 240-266. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2004 Head parameter system in Thakali. In Yogendra P. Yadava and Balam Prasain et al. (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol 21, 52-59. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2003 Deontic modality system in Thakali. In Madhav P. Pokharel and Ram R. Lohani et al. (eds.), *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol 20, 71-77. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2002 Thakali clause structure. In Madhav P. Pokharel and Ram R. Lohani (eds.) *Nepalese Linguistics*, Vol 19, 28-38. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2012 Schackow, Diana, Balthasar Bickel, Shree Kumar Rai, **Narayan P. Sharma**, Arjun Rai and Martin Gaenzle. MORPHOSYNTACTIC PROPERTIES AND SCOPE BEHAVIOR OF 'SUBORDINATE' CLAUSES IN PUMA (KIRANTI). In V. Gast and H. Dissel (eds.), *Clause Linkage in cross-linguistic perspective*, 105-126. Berlin: De Gruyter Mouton.
- 2011 Gaenzle, Martin, Balthasar Bickel, **Narayan P. Sharma**, Judith Pettigrew, Arjun Rai, Shree Kumar Rai and Diana Schackow. BINOMIALS AND THE NOUN-TO-VERB RATIO IN PUMA RAI RITUAL SPEECH. *Anthropological Linguistics*, 53 No. 4, 365-382. USA: Indiana University.
- 2011 Kansakar, Tej R., Nirmal M. Tuladhar, **Narayan P. Sharma**, Sulochana Sapkota et al. (eds.), *A Sociolinguistic Survey of Newar/ Nepal Bhasa*. Kathmandu: Linguistic Survey of Nepal (LinSuN), Tribhuvan University.
- 2008 Rai, Vishnu Singh, Shree K. Rai, **Narayan P. Sharma**, Diana Schackow, Sabine

- Guenther, Arjun Rai, Ganesh Rai, Martin Gaenzle, Judith Pettigrew and Balthasar Bickel (eds.), *Puma Dictionary and Grammar*. Kathmandu: Kirant Puma Rai Tupkhabangkhal.
- 2007 Bickel, Balthasar, Martin Gaenzle, Arjun Rai, Premdhoj Rai, Shree K. Rai, Vishnu S. Rai, and **Narayan P. Sharma**. TWO WAYS OF SUSPENDING OBJECT AGREEMENT IN PUMA: BETWEEN INCORPORATION, ANTIPASSIVIZATION, AND OPTIONAL AGREEMENT. *Himalayan Linguistics* 7, 1-18.
- 2005 **Sharma, Narayan P.**, Balthasar Bickel, Martin Gaenzle, Arjun Rai, and Vishnu Rai. PERSONAL AND POSSESSIVE PRONOUN IN PUMA. In Yogendra P. Yadava (ed.), *Contemporary issues in Nepalese Linguistics*, 225-231. Kathmandu: Linguistic Society of Nepal.
- 2004 Yadava, Yogendra P., **Narayan P. Sharma**, Balaram Prasain and Bhim Narayan Regmi. *Gurung-Nepali-English Dictionary*. Kathmandu: The National Foundation for Development of Indigenous Nationalities (NFDIN).

BOOK REVIEW

- 2018 Turin, Mark. 2012. A Grammar of the Thangmi Language: with an Ethnolinguistic Introduction to the Speakers and Their Culture. (Brills's Tibetan Studies Library. Languages of the Greater Himalayan Region.) xxxvii, Leiden and Boston: Brill. In *Himalaya. Journal of the Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies*.
- 2014 Regmi, Ambika. 2013. A Grammar of Magar Kaike. Berlin: Lincom Europa. In *Journal of South Asian Languages and Linguistics* (JSALL), 217-222, De Gruyter Mouton.

RESEARCH VISIT

- 2016 Kiranti languages and grammatical universals. University of Leipzig, ERC project "Grammatical Universals", Nikolai-Lab Leipzig, **Leipzig, Germany**. Sep 30-Oct 28.

INVITED TALKS

- 2018 Morphosyntax of Puma, an endangered Tibeto-Burman language of Nepal. Central Department of Linguistics, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal. Aug 17.
- 2015 Puma: an overview of rites of passage and some linguistic features. Recovering Voices, Department of Linguistics and Anthropology, National Museum of Natural History (NMNH), Smithsonian Institution, **Washington DC, USA**. Sep 08.
http://recoveringvoices.si.edu/pdf/RecoveringVoicesSeminar_SharmaNarayan_9815sm.pdf
- 2010 Language Documentation: The SOAS and DoBeS Experience. Consortium on Training in Language Documentation and Conservation (CTLDC), Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS), **Tokyo, Japan**. Nov 10-16.
<http://lingdy.aacore.jp/en/activity/ctldc2010.html>

REVIEWING

- 2018 ABSTRACT REVIEWER Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Washington DC, USA
- 2018 ARTICLE REVIEWER Nepalese Linguistics, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu
- 2017 ABSTRACT REVIEWER Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Washington DC, USA
- 2016 ABSTRACT REVIEWER Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Washington DC, USA

CONFERENCE CHAIR

- 2018 SESSION CHAIR 92nd Annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Salt Lake City, Utah, USA
- 2017 SESSION CHAIR 38th International meeting of the Linguistic Society of Nepal (LSN), Kathmandu, Nepal
- 2014 SESSION CHAIR 35th International meeting of the Linguistic Society of Nepal (LSN),

MAJOR CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 Proto-Kiranti verbal agreement system: evidence from Puma. 38th Annual conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.
- 2016 Transitivity in Puma. 37th Annual conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.
- 2015 Grammatical relations in Puma. 48th International Conference of Sino-Tibetan linguistics and Languages, University of California, **Santa Barbara, USA**. Aug 20-23.
- 2014 Morphosyntax of Puma. 19th International Lexical Functional Grammar (19th LFG), Ann Arbor, **Michigan, USA**. Jul 17-19.
- 2013 Nominalisation in Puma. Language Documentation and Linguistic Theory (LDLT) 4. SOAS, University of London, **London, UK**. Dec 07-08.
- 2013 Where does the Puma templatic morphology fail? 19th International Congress of Linguists, University of Geneva. **Geneva, Switzerland**. Jul 22-27.
- 2012 Digital technology and archiving challenges in the endangered language documentation. NODEM 2012 Hong Kong, Run Run Shaw Creative Media Centre, City University, **Hong Kong**. Dec 02-05.
- 2012 Split ergativity and object marking in Kiranti languages: A typological perspective. 45th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL45), Nanyang Technological University, **Singapore**. Oct 25-28.
- 2012 Argument Structure in Puma. South Asian Languages: Theory, Typology, and Diachrony. University of Yale, **New Haven, USA**. Sep 28-30.
- 2012 Multi-dimensional audio-visual technology: Evidence from the endangered language documentation in Digital Humanities 2012, Alliance of Digital Humanities Organizations (ADHO), University of Hamburg, **Hamburg, Germany**. Jul 16-22.
- 2012 Fieldwork in Nepal: Outline of Puma. 10th Nepal Study Day, Centre for Nepal Studies United Kingdom, Queensland College, **Reading, UK**. Apr 19-20.
- 2011 Morphological Ergativity: Evidence from Puma. 17th Himalayan Languages Symposium, Kobe City University of Foreign Studies, **Kobe, Japan**. Sep 06-09.
- 2010 Argument Realisation in Puma. 2nd South of England Lexical Functional Grammar (LFG) meeting, SOAS, University of London, **London, UK**. May 08.
- 2009 Description of the Puma language: Field Report of five years. 15th Himalayan Languages Symposium, University of Oregon, **Oregon, USA**. Jul 30-Aug 01.
- 2009 Deictic Expressions in Puma. Workshop on Spatial Expressions at CASTL, the University of Tromso, **Tromso, Norway**. May 15
- 2009 Spatial Quirks: Evidence from Puma. Workshop on Spatial Expressions at CASTL, the University of Tromso, **Tromso, Norway**. May 13.
- 2008 Digital Technology in Puma Documentation and Pitfalls. 29th Annual Conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.
- 2007 Spatial Deixis in Puma. 13th Himalayan Languages Symposium, Indian Institute of Advanced Study, **Shimla, India**. Oct 22-25.
- 2006 Compound Verbs in Puma. 12th Himalayan Languages Symposium and 27th Annual Conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.
- 2005 Case markers in Puma. 26th Annual Conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.

- 2004 Personal pronouns in Puma. 25th Annual Conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.
- 2003 Head parameter system in Thakali. 24th Annual Conference of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Tribhuvan University, **Kathmandu, Nepal**. Nov 26-27.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 2013 Argument Structure in Puma. 5th Biennial Meeting of the Rice Linguistics Society: Language, Culture, and Cognition, Rice University in Houston, **Texas, USA**. Feb 08-09.π

MAJOR PARTICIPATIONS

- 2010 The Emergence and Evolution of Linguistic Communication, Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST), Campus Plaza, **Kyoto, Japan**. Mar 08-13.
- 2009 The World Oral Literature Workshop. Digital Himalaya, University of Cambridge, **Cambridge, UK**. Dec 15-16.

MA DISSERTATIONS

- 2003 Master's Thesis 'THAKALI NP IN X-BAR SYNTAX' in English, Tribhuvan University.
- 2001 Master's Thesis 'CLAUSE STRUCTURES IN THAKALI' in Linguistics, Tribhuvan University.

GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2018 Individual Postdoctoral Fellowship (IPF), ELDP, SOAS, UK
- 2017 Nepal Bidhyabhusan Medal 'A' class, President's Office, Kathmandu, Nepal
- 2016 Young Scientist Award, Germany
- 2012 Global Supplementary Grant Programme (GSGP) Europe, OSF, UK
- 2012 Alliance of Digital Humanities Organizations, ADHO Bursary, Germany
- 2010 Individual Graduate Scholarship (IGS), ELDP, SOAS, UK
- 2009 Endangered Languages Academic Programme Bursary (ELAP) SOAS, UK
- 2009 Overseas Research Students Awards (ORSAS), SOAS, UK
- 2008 Research Fellowship, University Grants Commission (UGC), Nepal
- 2004 LSN Excellent Award, Silver Jubilee of Linguistic Society of Nepal, Nepal

MEMBERSHIP

- MEMBER Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Washington DC, USA
- MEMBER Linguistic Association of Great Britain (LAGB), UK
- GUEST EDITOR Everest Times, London, UK
- EDITOR Linguistic Society of Nepal (LSN), Kathmandu, Nepal
- LIFE MEMBER Linguistic Society of Nepal (LSN), Kathmandu, Nepal

COVERAGE IN NEWS AND MEDIA

- 2017 RADIO INTERVIEW <http://www.radioparyabaran.org.np>, Kathmandu, Oct 28.
- 2015 TELEVISION INTERVIEW [America Nepal Television](http://www.americanepal.com), Washington DC, USA, Dec 6.
- 2016 KANTIPUR, NATIONAL DAILY NEWSPAPER, Kathmandu, Nepal
<http://kantipur.ekantipur.com/news/2016-01-08/20160108084323.html> Jan 8.
- 2015 EVEREST TIMES, WEEKLY NEWSPAPER, London, UK
<http://www.everesttimes.net/article.php?type=article&aid=9776> (LONDON) Dec 29.
- 2015 MEDIA INTERVIEW <http://enepalese.com/2015/12/59423.html>, Washington DC, Dec 22.
- 2015 NEPAL-JAPAN ONLINE MEDIA <http://www.nepaljapan.com/भाषा-लोपोन्मुख-हुन-बाट-ब/> Dec 22.
- 2015 SETOPATI ONLINE MEDIA <http://global.setopati.com/anya/1318/> Dec 8.
- 2015 YOUTUBE ONLINE MEDIA <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1vF-ctkxZY4> Dec 20.